



USER GUIDE

**EZ Connect™ N Pro
Draft 11n Wireless Cardbus Adapter**

SMCWCB-N2

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Federal Communication Commission Interference Statement

This equipment has been tested and found to comply with the limits for a Class B digital device, pursuant to Part 15 of the FCC Rules. These limits are designed to provide reasonable protection against harmful interference in a residential installation. This equipment generates, uses and can radiate radio frequency energy and, if not installed and used in accordance with the instructions, may cause harmful interference to radio communications. However, there is no guarantee that interference will not occur in a particular installation. If this equipment does cause harmful interference to radio or television reception, which can be determined by turning the equipment off and on, the user is encouraged to try to correct the interference by one or more of the following measures:

- Reorient or relocate the receiving antenna.
- Increase the distance between the equipment and receiver.
- Connect the equipment into an outlet on a circuit different from that to which the receiver is connected.
- Consult the dealer or an experienced radio/TV technician for help.

FCC Caution: To assure continued compliance, (example - use only shielded interface cables when connecting to computer or peripheral devices) any changes or modifications not expressly approved by the party responsible for compliance could void the user's authority to operate this equipment. This device complies with Part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

IMPORTANT NOTE

FCC Radiation Exposure Statement:

This equipment complies with FCC radiation exposure limits set forth for an uncontrolled environment. This transmitter must not be co-located or operating in conjunction with any other antenna or transmitter.

Compliances

Europe – EU Declaration of Conformity

This device complies with the essential requirements of the R&TTE Directive 1999/5/EC. The following test methods have been applied in order to prove presumption of conformity with the essential requirements of the R&TTE Directive 1999/5/EC:

- EN60950-1:2001 A11:2004

Safety of Information Technology Equipment

- EN50392 : (2004-01)

Generic standard to demonstrate the compliance of electronic and electrical apparatus with the basic restrictions related to human exposure to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz - 300 GHz)

- EN 300 328 V1.7.1: (2006-10)

Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); Wideband Transmission systems; Data transmission equipment operating in the 2,4 GHz ISM band and using spread spectrum modulation techniques; Harmonized EN covering essential requirements under article 3.2 of the R&TTE Directive

- EN 301 489-1 V1.6.1: (2005-09)

Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio Spectrum Matters (ERM); ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 1: Common technical requirements

- EN 301 489-17 V1.2.1 (2002-08)

Electromagnetic compatibility and Radio spectrum Matters (ERM); ElectroMagnetic Compatibility (EMC) standard for radio equipment and services; Part 17: Specific conditions for 2,4 GHz wideband transmission systems and 5 GHz high performance RLAN equipment

This device is a 2.4 GHz wideband transmission system (transceiver), intended for use in all EU member states and EFTA countries, except in France and Italy where restrictive use applies.

In Italy the end-user should apply for a license at the national spectrum authorities in order to obtain authorization to use the device for setting up outdoor radio links and/or for supplying public access to telecommunications and/or network services.

This device may not be used for setting up outdoor radio links in France and in some areas the RF output power may be limited to 10 mW EIRP in the frequency range of 2454 – 2483.5 MHz. For detailed information the end-user should contact the national spectrum authority in France.

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Compliances

Council recommendation 1999/519/EC of 12 July 1999, limitations of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz)

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| Česky [Czech] | SMC Networks tímto prohlašuje, že tento <i>Radio LAN device</i> je ve shodě se základními požadavky a dalšími příslušnými ustanoveními směrnice 1999/5/ES. |
| Dansk [Danish] | Undertegnede SMC Networks erklærer herved, at følgende udstyr <i>Radio LAN device</i> overholder de væsentlige krav og øvrige relevante krav i direktiv 1999/5/EF. |
| Deutsch [German] | Hiermit erklärt SMC Networks, dass sich das Gerät <i>Radio LAN device</i> in Übereinstimmung mit den grundlegenden Anforderungen und den übrigen einschlägigen Bestimmungen der Richtlinie 1999/5/EG befindet. |
| Eesti [Estonian] | Käesolevaga kinnitab SMC Networks seadme <i>Radio LAN device</i> vastavust direktiivi 1999/5/EÜ põhinõuetele ja nimetatud direktiivist tulenevatele teistele asjakohastele sätetele. |
| English | Hereby, SMC Networks, declares that this <i>Radio LAN device</i> is in compliance with the essential requirements and other relevant provisions of Directive 1999/5/EC. |
| Español [Spanish] | Por medio de la presente SMC Networks declara que el <i>Radio LAN device</i> cumple con los requisitos esenciales y cualesquiera otras disposiciones aplicables o exigibles de la Directiva 1999/5/CE. |
| Ελληνική [Greek] | ΜΕ ΤΗΝ ΠΑΡΟΥΣΑ SMC Networks ΔΗΛΩΝΕΙ ΟΤΙ <i>Radio LAN device</i> ΣΥΜΜΟΡΦΩΝΕΤΑΙ ΠΡΟΣ ΤΙΣ ΟΥΣΙΩΔΕΙΣ ΑΠΑΙΤΗΣΕΙΣ ΚΑΙ ΤΙΣ ΛΟΙΠΕΣ ΣΧΕΤΙΚΕΣ ΔΙΑΤΑΞΕΙΣ ΤΗΣ ΟΔΗΓΙΑΣ 1999/5/EK. |
| Français [French] | Par la présente SMC Networks déclare que l'appareil <i>Radio LAN device</i> est conforme aux exigences essentielles et aux autres dispositions pertinentes de la directive 1999/5/CE. |
| Italiano [Italian] | Con la presente SMC Networks dichiara che questo <i>Radio LAN device</i> è conforme ai requisiti essenziali ed alle altre disposizioni pertinenti stabilite dalla direttiva 1999/5/CE. |
| Latviski [Latvian] | Ar šo SMC Networks deklarē, ka <i>Radio LAN device</i> atbilst Direktivas 1999/5/EK būtiskajām prasībām un citiem ar to saistītajiem noteikumiem. |
| Lietuvių [Lithuanian] | Šiuo SMC Networks deklaruoja, kad šis <i>Radio LAN device</i> atitinka esminius reikalavimus ir kitas 1999/5/EB Direktyvos nuostatas. |
| Nederlands [Dutch] | Hierbij verklaart SMC Networks dat het toestel <i>Radio LAN device</i> in overeenstemming is met de essentiële eisen en de andere relevante bepalingen van richtlijn 1999/5/EG. |
| Malti [Maltese] | Hawnhekk, SMC Networks, jiddikjara li dan <i>Radio LAN device</i> jikkonforma mal-ħtiġiġiet essenziali u ma provvedimenti oħrajn relevanti li hemm fid-Dirrettiva 1999/5/EC. |
| Magyar [Hungarian] | Alulírott, SMC Networks nyilatkozom, hogy a <i>Radio LAN device</i> megfelel a vonatkozó alapvető követelményeknek és az 1999/5/EC irányelv egyéb előírásainak. |
| Polski [Polish] | Niniejszym SMC Networks oświadcza, że <i>Radio LAN device</i> jest zgodny z zasadniczymi wymogami oraz pozostałymi stosownymi postanowieniami Dyrektywy 1999/5/EC. |
| Português [Portuguese] | SMC Networks declara que este <i>Radio LAN device</i> está conforme com os requisitos essenciais e outras disposições da Directiva 1999/5/CE. |
| Slovensko [Slovenian] | SMC Networks izjavlja, da je ta <i>Radio LAN device</i> v skladu z bistvenimi zahtevami in ostalimi relevantnimi določili direktive 1999/5/ES. |

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| Slovensky [Slovak] | SMC Networks týmto vyhlasuje, že <i>Radio LAN device</i> spĺňa základné požiadavky a všetky príslušné ustanovenia Smernice 1999/5/ES. |
| fi Suomi [Finnish] | SMC Networks vakuuttaa täten että <i>Radio LAN device</i> tyyppinen laite on direktiivin 1999/5/EY oleellisten vaatimusten ja sitä koskevien direktiivin muiden ehtojen mukainen. |
| sv Svenska [Swedish] | Härmed intygar SMC Networks att denna <i>Radio LAN device</i> står i överensstämmelse med de väsentliga egenskapskrav och övriga relevanta bestämmelser som framgår av direktiv 1999/5/EG. |

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Chapter 1 - Getting Started with the SMCWCB-N2

Congratulations on purchasing the SMCWCB-N2. This manual provides information for setting up and configuring the SMCWCB-N2. This manual is intended for both home users and professionals. It is not required to read some of the more technical information in this manual (such as in “Wireless LAN Networking” and “Configuring Wireless Security”) to operate and enjoy the SMCWCB-N2. It is included for your reference only.

The following conventions are used in this manual:



THE NOTE SYMBOL INDICATES ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE TOPIC AT HAND.



THE TIP SYMBOL INDICATES HELPFUL INFORMATION AND TIPS TO IMPROVE YOUR NETWORK EXPERIENCE.



THE CAUTION SYMBOL ALERTS YOU TO SITUATIONS THAT MAY DEGRADE YOUR NETWORKING EXPERIENCE OR COMPROMISE YOUR SECURITY.



LIKE NOTES AND TIPS, THE IMPORTANT SYMBOL INDICATES INFORMATION THAT CAN IMPROVE NETWORKING. THIS INFORMATION SHOULD NOT BE OVERLOOKED.

Chapter 2 - Wireless LAN Networking

This section provides background information on wireless LAN networking technology.



THE INFORMATION IN THIS SECTION IS FOR YOUR REFERENCE. CHANGING NETWORK SETTINGS AND PARTICULARLY SECURITY SETTINGS SHOULD ONLY BE DONE BY AN AUTHORIZED ADMINISTRATOR.

Transmission Rate (Transfer Rate)

The SMCWCB-N2 provides various transmission (data) rate options for you to select. In most networking scenarios, the factory default Auto setting proves the most efficient. This setting allows your SMCWCB-N2 to operate at the maximum transmission (data) rate. When the communication quality drops below a certain level, the SMCWCB-N2 automatically switches to a lower transmission (data) rate. Transmission at lower data speeds is usually more reliable. However, when the communication quality improves again, the SMCWCB-N2 gradually increases the transmission (data) rate again until it reaches the highest available transmission rate.

Types of Wireless Networks

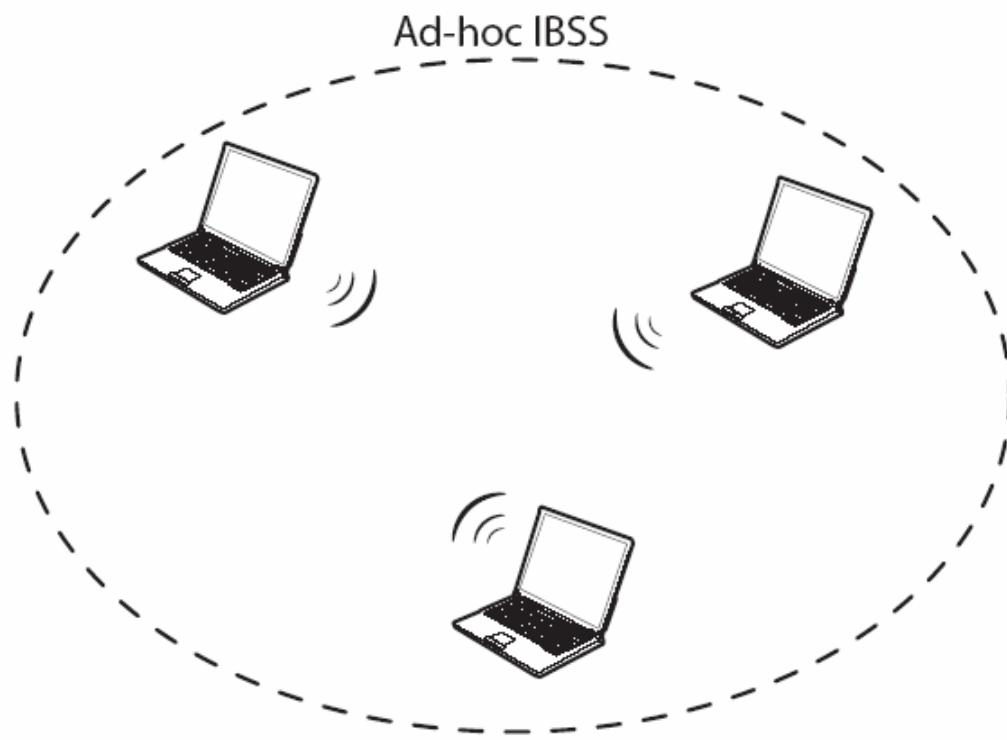
Wireless LAN networking works in either of the two modes: ad-hoc and infrastructure. In infrastructure mode, wireless devices communicate to a wired LAN via access points. Each access point and its wireless devices are known as a Basic Service Set (BSS). An Extended Service Set (ESS) is two or more BSS in the same subnet. In ad hoc mode (also known as peer-to-peer mode), wireless devices communicate with each other directly and do not use an access point. This is an Independent BSS (IBSS).

To connect to a wired network within a coverage area using access points, set the SMCWCB-N2 operation mode to Infrastructure (BSS). To set up an independent wireless workgroup without an access point, use Ad-hoc (IBSS) mode.

Ad-Hoc (IBSS) NETWORK

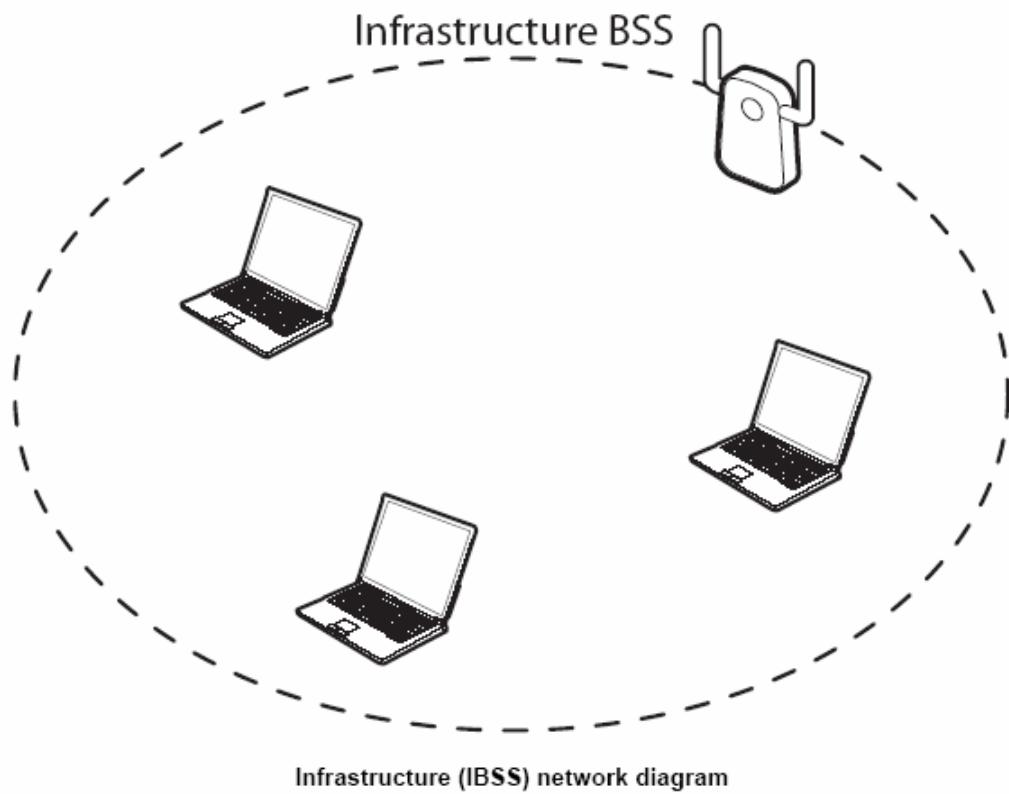
Ad-hoc mode does not require an access point or a wired network. Two or more wireless stations communicate directly to each other. An ad-hoc network may sometimes be referred to as an Independent Basic Service Set (IBSS).

To set up an ad-hoc network, configure all the stations in ad-hoc mode. Use the same SSID and channel for each station.

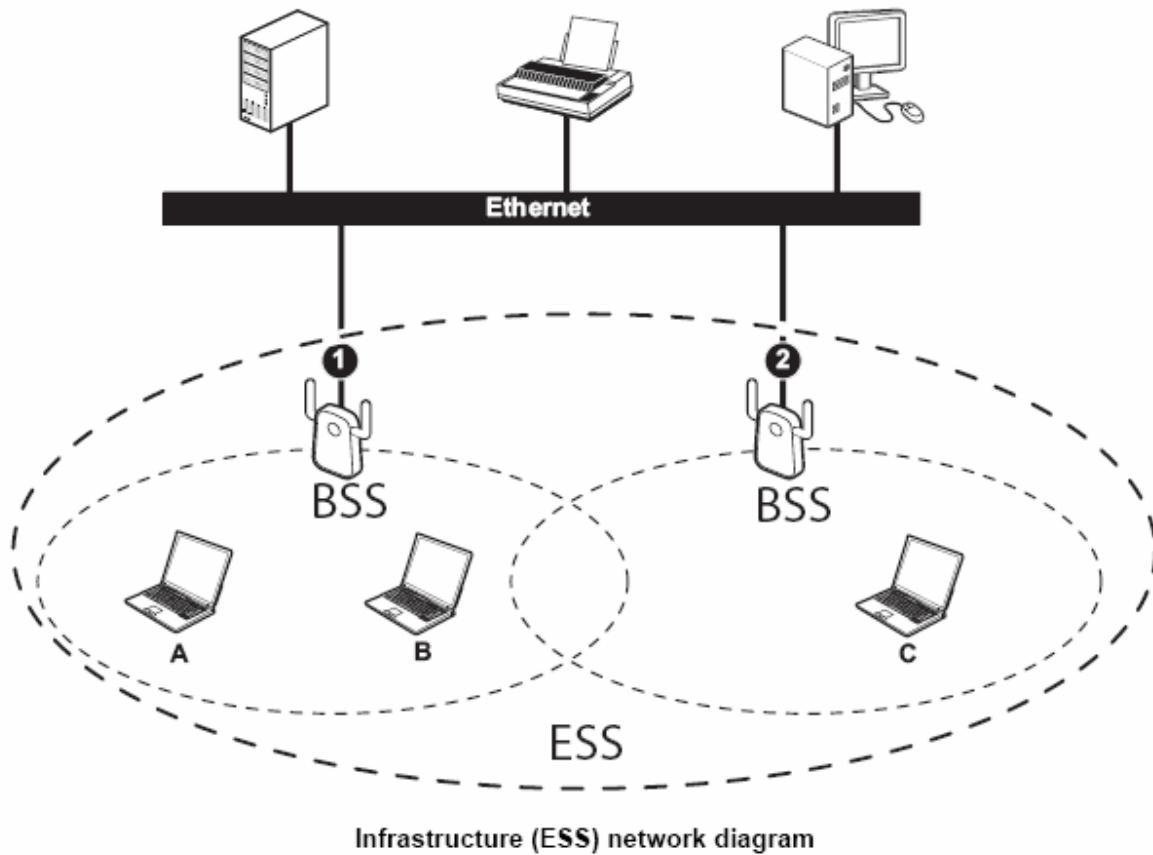


Ad-hoc (also known as peer-to-peer) network diagram

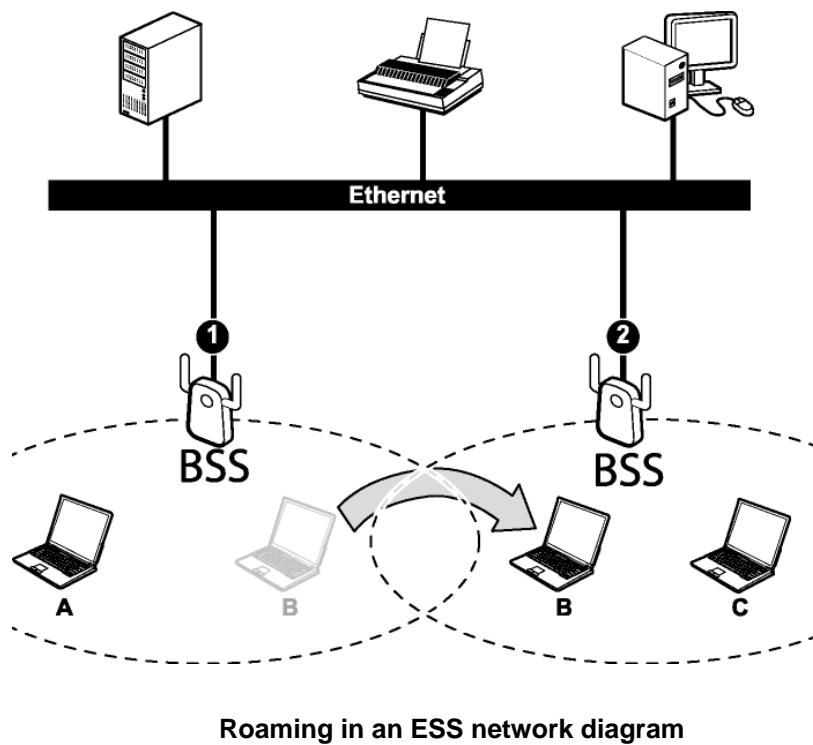
When a number of wireless stations are connected using a single access point, you have a Basic Service Set (BSS).



In the ESS diagram below, communication is done through the access points, which relay data packets to other wireless stations or devices connected to the wired network. Wireless stations can then access resources, such as a printer, on the wired network.



In an ESS environment, users are able to move from one access point to another without losing the connection. In the diagram below, when the user moves from BSS (1) to BSS (2) the SMCWCB-N2 automatically switches to the channel used in BSS (2).



Roaming in an ESS network diagram

Wireless LAN Security

Because wireless networks are not as secure as wired networks, it's vital that security settings are clearly understood and applied.

The list below shows the possible wireless security levels on your SMCWCB-N2 starting with the most secure. EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol) is used for authentication and utilizes dynamic WEP key exchange. EAP requires interaction with a RADIUS (Remote Authentication Dial-In User Service) server either on the WAN or the LAN to provide authentication service for wireless stations.

1. Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA/WPA2)
2. IEEE802.1X EAP with RADIUS Server authentication
3. WEP Encryption
4. Unique ESSID



DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CONFIGURE OR CHANGE SECURITY SETTINGS FOR A NETWORK WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION AND WITHOUT CLEARLY UNDERSTANDING THE SETTINGS YOU ARE APPLYING. WITH POOR SECURITY SETTINGS, SENSITIVE DATA YOU SEND CAN BE SEEN BY OTHERS.

DATA ENCRYPTION WITH WEP

The WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) security protocol is an encryption method designed to try to make wireless networks as secure as wired networks. WEP encryption scrambles all data packets transmitted between the SMCWCB-N2 and the access point or other wireless stations to keep network communications private. Both the wireless stations and the access points must use the same WEP key for data encryption and decryption.

There are two ways to create WEP keys in your SMCWCB-N2.

- Automatic WEP key generation based on a password phrase called a passphrase. The passphrase is case sensitive. You must use the same passphrase for all WLAN adapters with this feature in the same WLAN.
- For WLAN adapters without the passphrase feature, you can still take advantage of this feature by writing down the four automatically generated WEP keys from the **Security Settings** screen of the wireless utility and entering them manually as the WEP keys in the other WLAN adapter(s).

The SMCWCB-N2 allows you to configure up to four WEP keys and only one key is used as the default transmit key at any one time.

Chapter 3 - Hardware and Wireless Utility

This chapter introduces the Adapter and prepares you to use the Wireless Utility.

About Your Draft 11n Wireless Cardbus Adapter

With the Adapter, you can enjoy wireless mobility within almost any wireless networking environment.

The following lists the main features of your Card.

- IEEE802.11n draft v2.0 compliant
- Wireless speeds up to 300Mbps
- Fully backwards compatible with 802.11b/g wireless networks
- Stream HD video, Listen to digital music, Play online games, Transfer large files, Make VoIP calls & Surf the Internet simultaneously
- WEP 64-/128-Bit, WPA & WPA2 wireless encryption
- Wi-Fi Protected Setup™ – PIN and PBC
- Easy Installation Wizard
- Supports Windows 2000/XP/Vista
- WLAN management utility

Package Content

- EZ Connect™ N Wireless Cardbus Adapter (SMCWCB-N2)
- Installation CD containing:
 - EZ Installation Wizard
 - Manual
- Quick Install Guide
- Warranty Information Card

System Requirement

- 2.4 GHz 802.11n draft wireless network or 2.4 GHz 802.11b/g wireless network
- Microsoft Windows 2000, XP or Vista
- A PC with:
 - 300MHz CPU or above
 - Available PC Card slot
 - 20MB of available hard disk space
 - CD-ROM drive

LED Definition

The following table describes the LEDs on the 11n (Draft) Wireless PCI Adapter

| STATUS | POWER LED | LINK LED |
|----------------------------|-----------|----------|
| POWER OFF | OFF | OFF |
| POWER ON | ON | ON |
| Associated without traffic | ON | ON |
| Associated with traffic | ON | BLINKING |

Hardware and Wireless Utility Installation

Follow the instructions below to install the Cardbus Adapter and Wireless Utility.



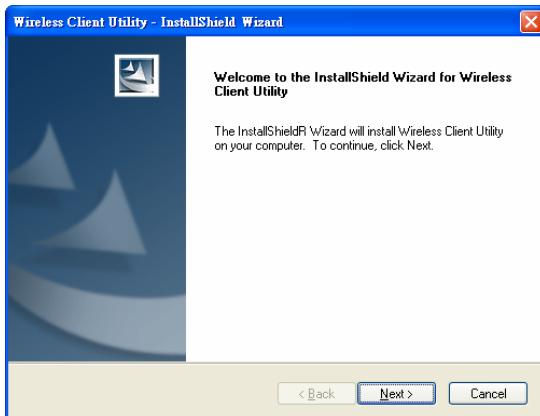
Do not insert the EZ Connect™ N Wireless Cardbus Adapter until instructed.

IMPORTANT

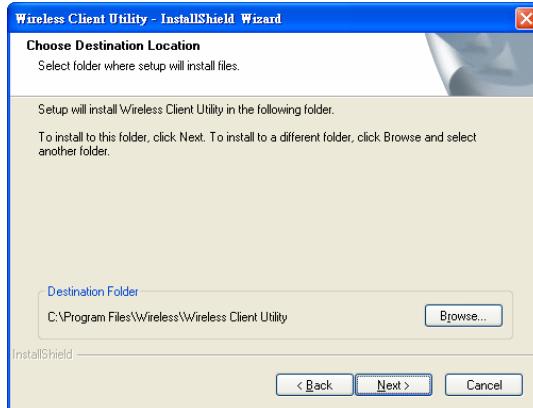
1. Put the EZ Installation & Documentation CD in to your CD-ROM drive. The CD will auto run. If the CD does not auto run browse to your CD drive & double-click the “**SMCWCB_N2.exe**” file.
2. Click [Install Driver/Utility] to start the installation Wizard.



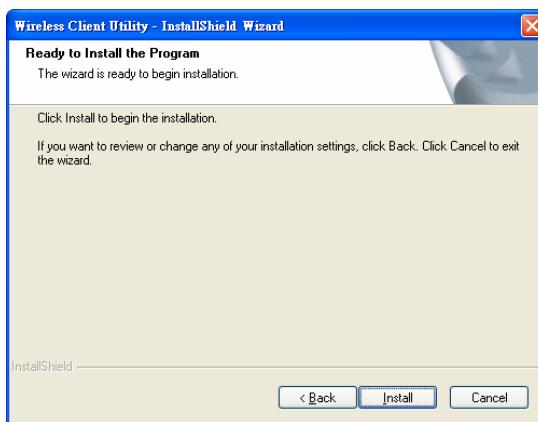
3. The installation Wizard will run. Click [Next] to continue.



4. To install to the default folder location click [Next]. It is recommended to use the default folder location unless you are an advanced user. To change the installation folder click the [Browse] button and specify a new location. Click [Next] to continue.



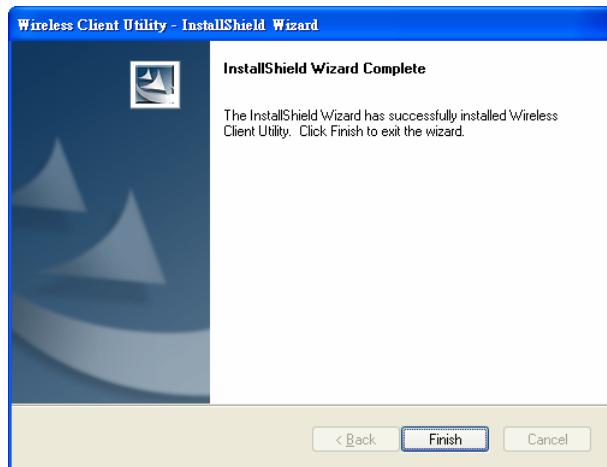
5. The wizard is ready to begin installation. Click [Install].



6. A "Software Installation" warning may appear, click [Continue Anyway].



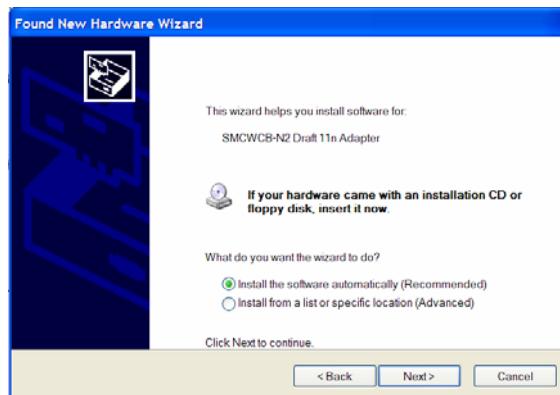
7. Click [Finish] to exit the installation wizard.



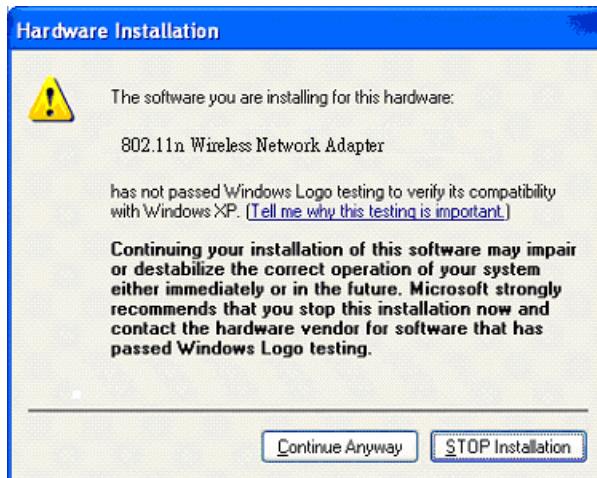
8. Insert the EZ Connect™ N Wireless Cardbus Adapter in to an available PC Card slot.
9. The "Found New Hardware Wizard" will appear. Click [No, not this time], then [Next].



10. Click [Install the software automatically (Recommended)], then click [Next].



11. A "Hardware Installation" warning may appear, click [Continue Anyway].

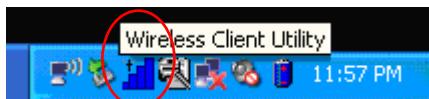


12. Click [Finish] to complete the Driver/Utility installation.



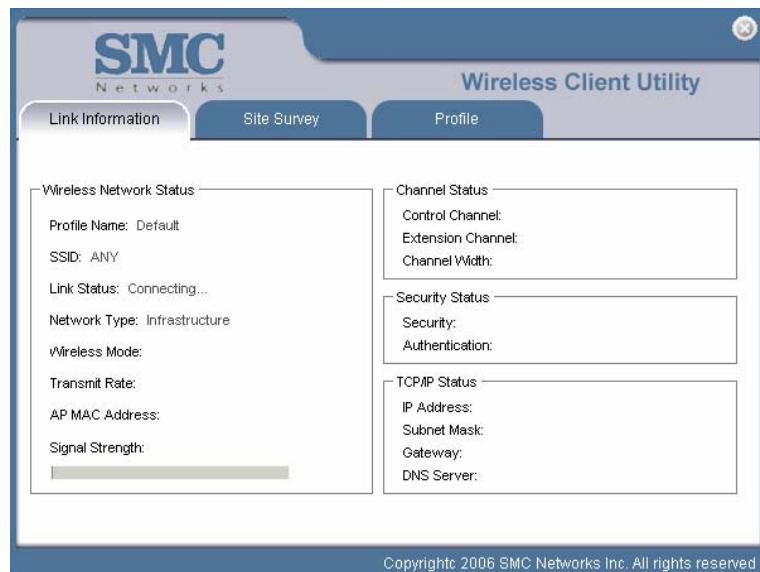
Using the Utility to Configure Your Network

The following are explanations on how to configure and use the Utility program. After completing the installation procedure, a new icon as shown below will automatically appear in the lower right tray bar.



Hold your mouse pointer over the icon, and double click the left mouse button to open the Wireless Client Utility.

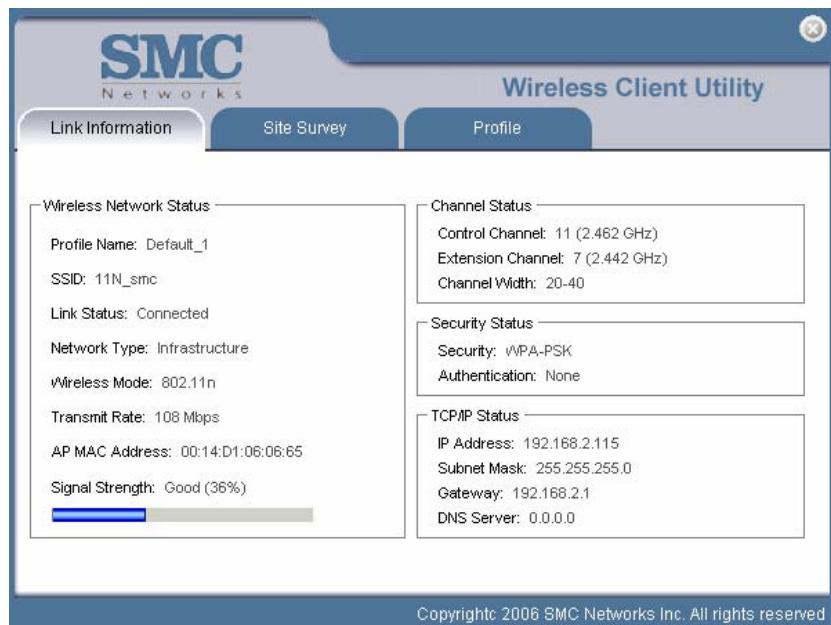
The Wireless Client Utility window as shown below will appear.



The user can now use any of the management functions available in the Wireless Client Utility.

Link Information

Click the **Link Information** tab to see general information about the program and its operation.



The following table describes the items found on the Link Information screen.

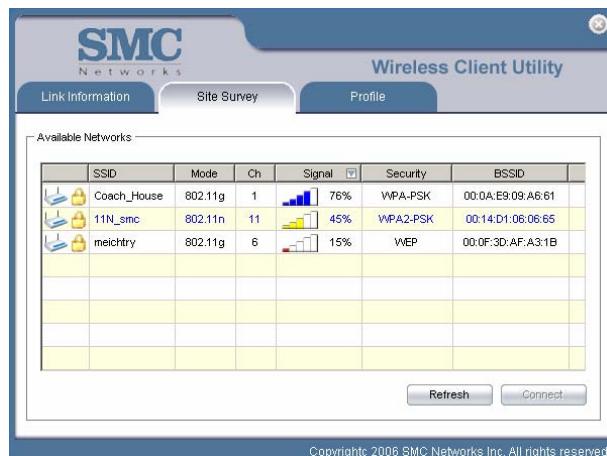
| Wireless Network Status | |
|-------------------------|--|
| Profile Name | The name of the current selected configuration profile. Set up the configuration name on the Profile tab. |
| SSID | Displays the wireless network name. |
| Link Status | Shows whether the station is associated to the wireless network. |
| Network Type | The type of network the station is connected to. The options include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">■ Infrastructure (access point)■ Ad Hoc |
| Wireless Mode | Displays the wireless mode. 802.11g, 11b or 11n |
| Transmit Rate | Displays the current transmit rate in Mbps. |
| AP MAC Address | Displays the MAC address of the access point the wireless card is associated to. |
| Signal Strength | Shows the strength of wireless signal. |

| Channel | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Control Channel | Channel number of the control 20MHz channel |
| Extension Channel | To locate the 40MHz channel on combination with the control channel |
| Channel Width | 20MHz only or 40/20MHz channel support |
| Security Status | |
| Security | Shows the security type – Disable, WEP, WPA/WPA2, WAP-PSK/WAP2-PSK or 802.1X |
| Authentication | Displays the authentication mode. |
| TCP/IP Status | |
| IP Address | Displays the computer's IP address. |
| Subnet Mask | Displays subnet mask |
| Gateway | Displays gateway address |
| DNS Server | Display DNS server address |

Site Survey

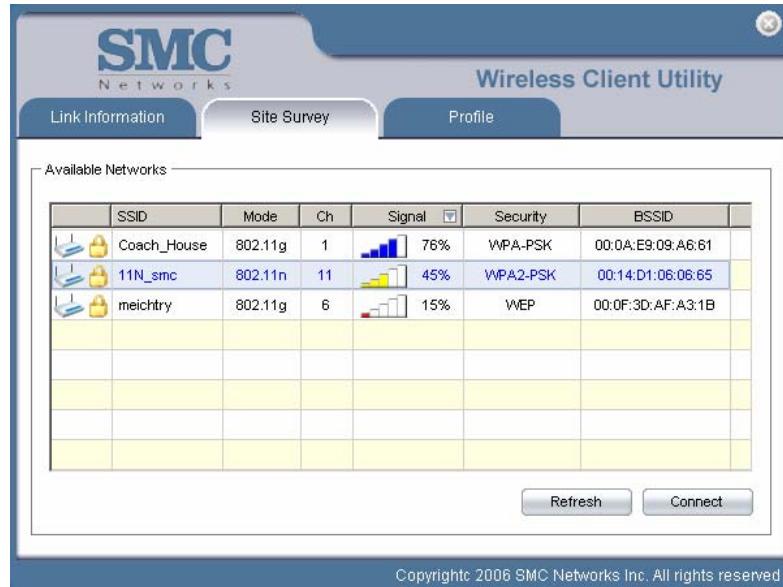
Click the **Site Survey** tab to see available infrastructure and ad hoc networks.

On this screen, click **Refresh** to refresh the list at any time.



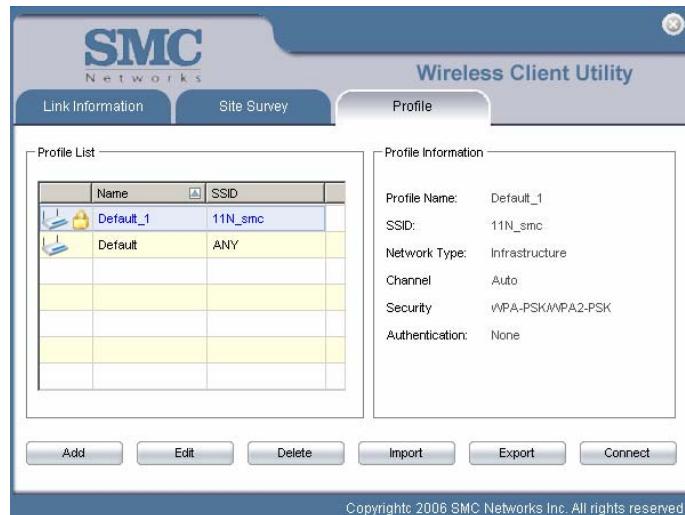
Connecting to a different network

Hold your mouse pointer over the network icon, and click the right mouse button to select the network.



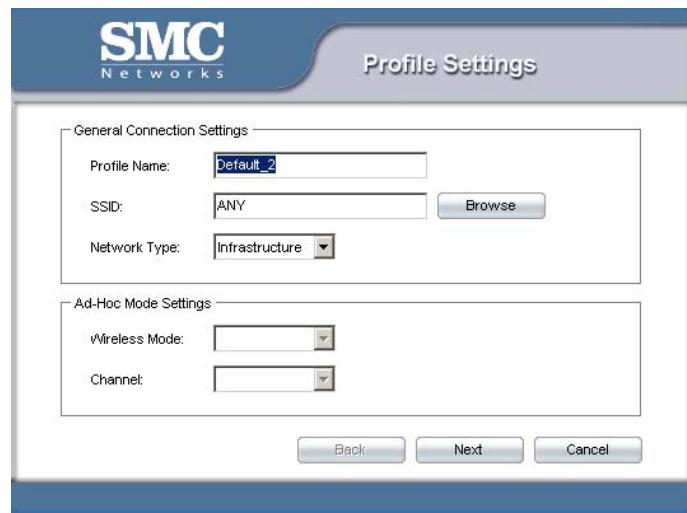
Click the **Connect** button to connect the available network. If no configuration profile exists for that network, the Profile Settings window opens to ask to create a profile for the network. Follow the procedures to create profile for that network.

Profile



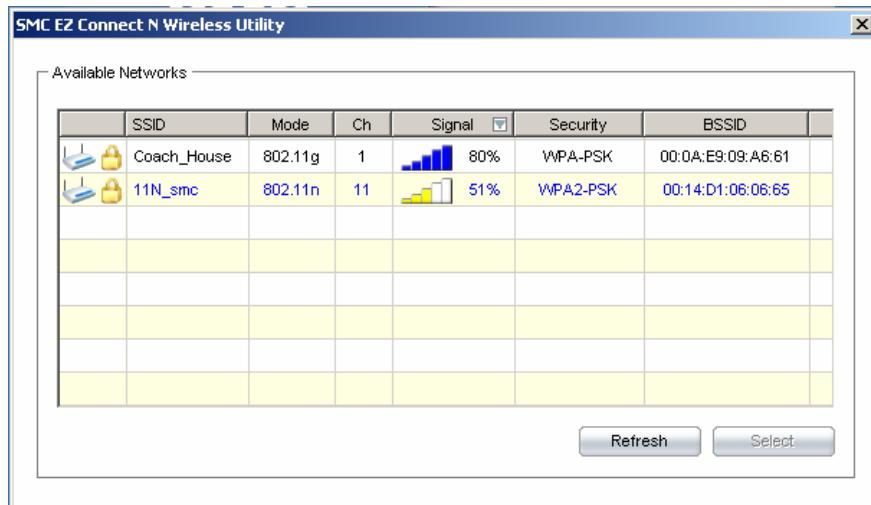
To add a new configuration profile, click **Add** on the Profile tab.

To modify a configuration profile, select the configuration from the Profile list and click the **Edit** button.

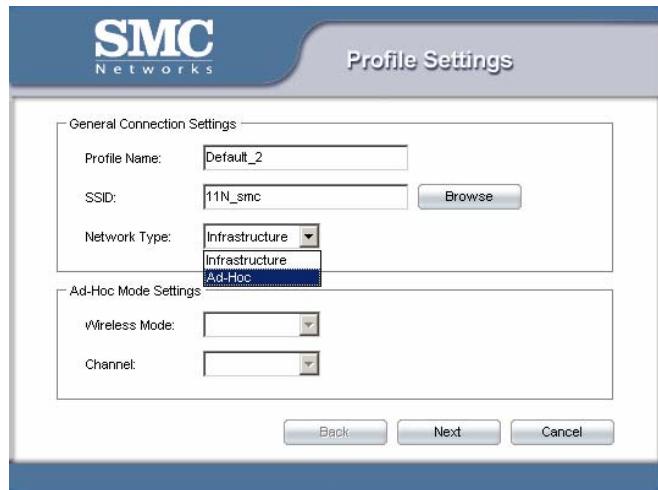


Scan Available Networks

Click the **Browse** button on the Profile Settings screen to scan for available infrastructure and ad hoc networks. On this list, click **Refresh** to refresh the list at any time.



To configure a profile for Ad-Hoc or Infrastructure mode, select the Network Type field on the Profile Settings.



Click **Next** to continue.



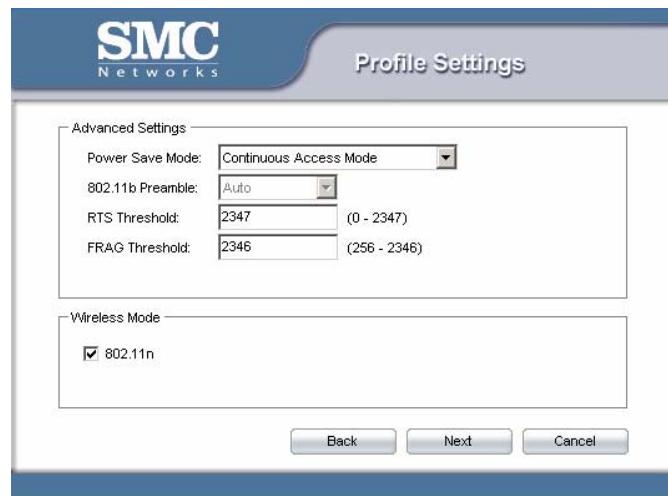
To define the security mode, select the desired security mode from drop down list. And then click **Next** to continue. Please see following table for details of security modes.

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| WEP | <p>This card support three modes of WEP, include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 64 Bits ■ 128 Bits ■ 152 Bits <p>Except 152-Bit mode, both 64-Bit & 128-Bit modes support Passphrase.</p> |
| WPA/WPA2 | <p>Enables the use of Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA).</p> <p>Choosing WPA/WPA2 opens the WPA/WPA2 Security Settings screen. The options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TLS (Transport Layer Security) is a Point-to-Point Protocol (PPP) extension supporting additional authentication methods within PPP. Transport Layer Security (TLS) provides for mutual authentication, integrity-protected cipher suite negotiation, and key exchange between two endpoints. ■ PEAP (EAP-GTC) (Protected Extensible Authentication |

| | |
|-------------------------|--|
| | <p>Protocol) authenticates <u>wireless LAN clients</u> using only <u>server-side digital certificates</u> by creating an <u>encrypted SSL/TLS</u> tunnel between the client and the <u>authentication server</u>. The tunnel then protects the subsequent user authentication exchange.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) (Protected Extensible Authentication Protocol) To use PEAP (EAP-MSCHAP V2) security, the server must have WPA-PEAP certificates, and the server properties must already be set. Check with the IT manager ■ TTLS (Tunneled Transport Layer Security) An <u>EAP</u> variant that provides mutual authentication using a certificate for server authentication, and via a secure <u>TLS</u> tunnel for the client ■ LEAP (Lightweight and Efficient Application Protocol) is the general framework for a set of high-performance, efficient protocols which are ideal for mobile and wireless applications. LEAP is designed to address all the technical requirements of the wireless data communications industry, and is oriented towards providing the greatest benefit to the industry and the consumer |
| WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK | <p>Enables WPA/WPA2 Passphrase security.</p> <p>Fill in the WPA/WPA2 Passphrase on Security Settings screen.</p> |
| 802.1x | <p>Enables 802.1x security. This option requires IT administration.</p> <p>Choosing 802.1x opens the 802.1x Security Settings screen. The options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TLS ■ PEAP ■ TTLS ■ LEAP |

Advanced Settings

After Security Settings are finished, the **Advanced Settings** screen will be shown as following. SMC recommend using the default values.



The following table describes the items found on the Advanced Settings screen.

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Power Save Mode | Shows the power save mode. Power management is disabled in ad hoc mode. The options include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuous Access Mode Maximum Power Saving Fast Power Saving |
| 802.11b Preamble | Displays the 802.11b preamble format. The options include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long Short Auto |
| RTS Threshold | Value from 0 ~ 2347 |
| FRAG Threshold | Value from 256 ~ 2346 |
| Wireless Mode | Enable or disable 802.11n mode. |

After advanced settings are finished, the following screen is displayed as below. You can activate the profile now or later.

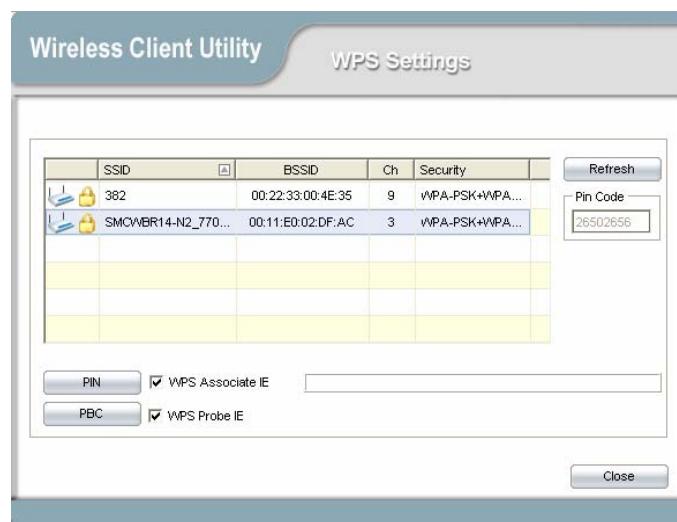


WPS

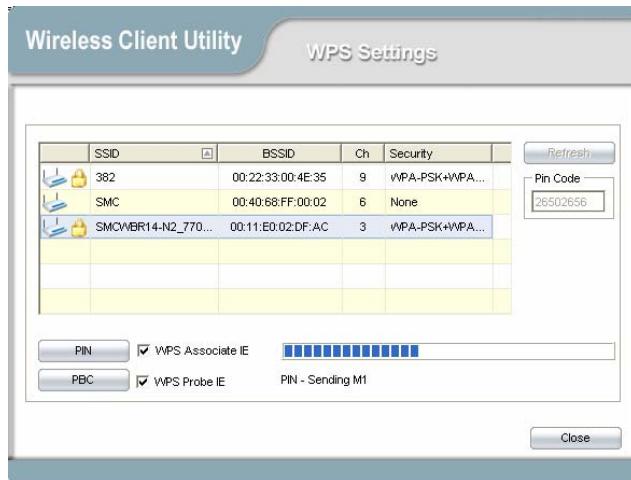
Wi-Fi Protected Setup (WPS) is based on push-button or PIN (Personal Identification Number) entry authentication to provide strong WPA/WPA2 encryption keys to client devices. Users can push a button on the access point and the client device to exchange the encryption key. With a PIN, users can enter a code generated by the client device to connect to the network.

WPS Setup - PBC (Push-button Configuration)

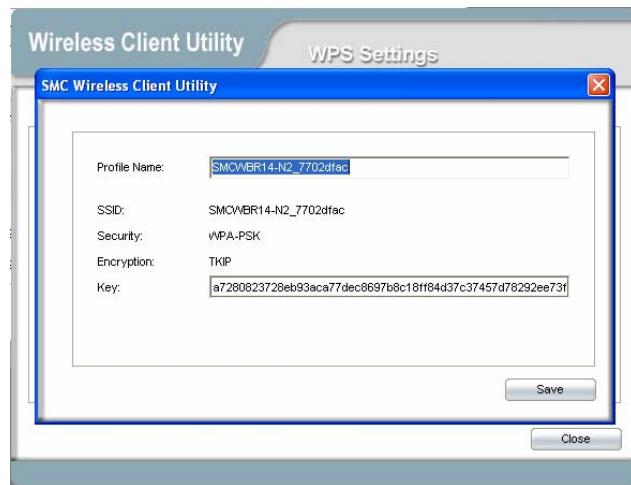
1. Push the WPS button on your wireless access point or start WPS standby mode as instructed by the wireless access point user manual.
2. Click the Refresh button on the utility WPS setup page to search for WPS-enabled access points near you. All access points found will be displayed in the WPS AP List.



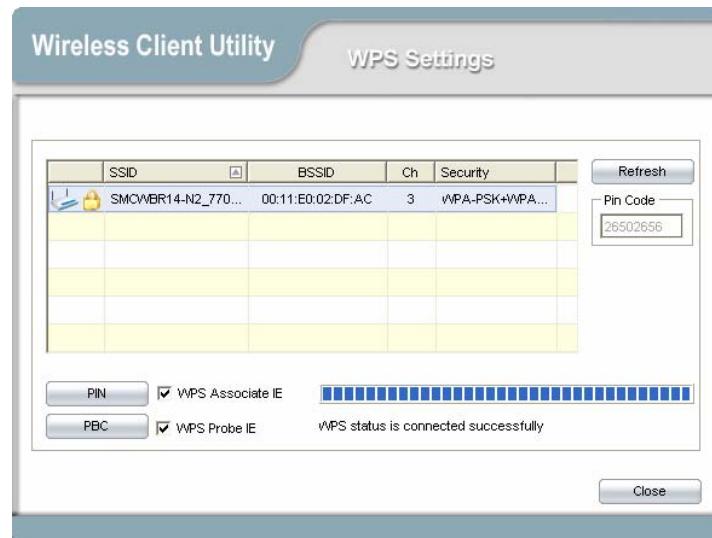
3. Select an access point on the list and click the PBC button to activate the connection (this may require several seconds to one minute to complete).



4. After WPS detects security setting you will be prompted to save them to a new profile as shown below. Click Save to save settings



5. After clicking save the following will be displayed to confirm WPS is connected successfully.

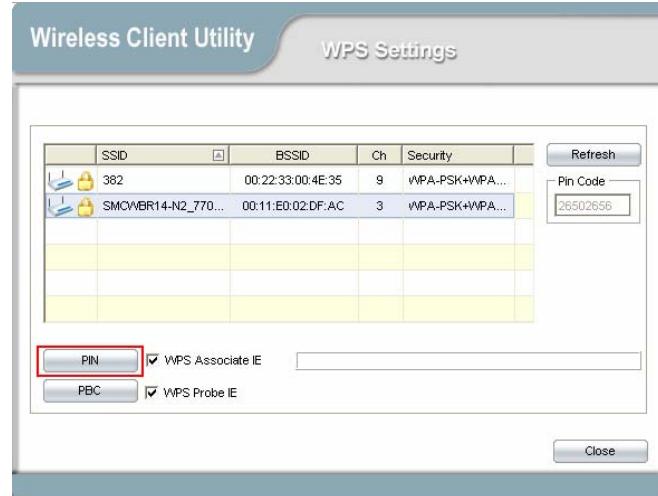


Note: If WPS fails, click the PBC button few more times to try again.

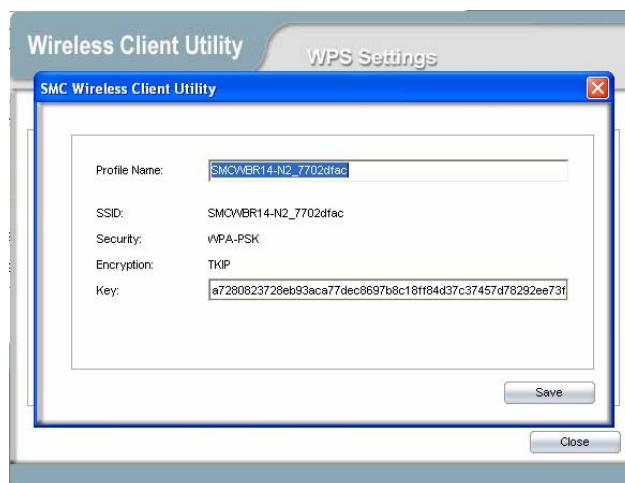
WPS Setup - PIN Configuration

The WPS PIN (Personal Identification Number) setup is optional to the WPS button setup. It is more secure than using the WPS button. All WPS-compatible devices have their own PIN number.

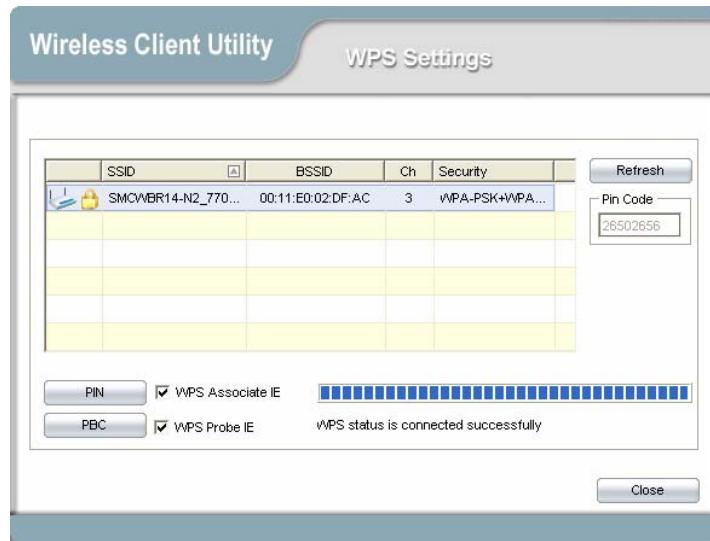
1. The PIN number of your Wireless Cardbus Adapter is an eight-digit number located at the upper-right position of configuration utility. Remember this number and input it to your wireless access point as the WPS PIN code. Please also refer to the user manual of your wireless access point for instructions about WPS setup.
2. Click PIN button and wait for few seconds to one minute. If a wireless access point with correct PIN code is found, you will be connected to that access point.



3. After WPS detects security setting you will be prompted to save them to a new profile as shown below. Click Save to save settings



5. After clicking save the following will be displayed to confirm WPS is connected successfully.



Note: You may have to click PIN for few more times to try again. If you still cannot connect to an access point this way, please make sure the PIN code you provided to access point is correct.

WPS Status Bar Description:

1. A successful PIN configuration :

Start PIN connection - SSID ~> Begin associating to WPS AP ~> Associated to WPS AP ~> Sending EAPOL-Start ~> Sending EAP-Rsp (ID) ~> Receive EAP-Req (Start) ~> Sending M1 ~> Received M2 ~> (Received M2D ~> Sending EAP-Rsp (ACK)) ~> Sending M3 ~> Received M4 ~> Sending M5 ~> Received M6 ~> Sending M7 ~> Received M8 ~> Sending EAP-Rsp(Done) ~> Configured ~> WPS status is disconnected ~> WPS status is connected successfully-SSID

2. WPS configuration doesn't complete after two-minute connection:

WPS Eap process failed.

3. When Errors occur within two-minute connection, the WPS status bar might report on "WPS Eap process failed".

Error messages might be:

1. Receive EAP with wrong NONCE.
2. Receive EAP without integrity.
3. Error PIN Code.
4. An inappropriate EAP-FAIL received.

Chapter 4 - Maintenance

This chapter describes how to uninstall or upgrade the Wireless Utility.

Uninstall the Driver

Follow the steps below to remove (or uninstall) the Card driver from your computer.

- Step 1.** To remove the driver from the OS, go to **Start -> Control Panel**
- Step 2.** Double-click **System**
- Step 3.** Under **Hardware** tab, click **Device Manager**.
- Step 4.** Double-click **Network Card**
- Step 5.** Right-click mouse button on “**SMC EZ Connect N Wireless Cardbus Adapter**”, and choose **Uninstall**
- Step 6.** Click **OK** to confirm that you are going to uninstall the driver

Uninstall the Client Utility

Follow the steps below to remove the Client Utility from your computer.

- Step 1.** To remove the utility from the OS, go to **Start -> Control Panel**
- Step 2.** Double-click **Add-Remove Programs**
- Step 3.** Select **SMC EZ Connect N Wireless Cardbus Adapter**, and click the **Uninstall** button

Upgrading the Wireless Utility

To perform the upgrade, follow the steps below.

- Step 1.** Download the latest version of the utility from the web site and save the file on your computer.
- Step 2.** Follow the steps in *Section 3.2* to remove the current Wireless Utility from your computer.
- Step 3.** Restart your computer if prompted.
- Step 4.** After restarting, refer to the procedure in the Chapter 2 to install the new utility.

Glossary

For unfamiliar terms used below, look for entries elsewhere in the glossary.

AD-HOC (IBSS)

Ad-hoc mode does not require an AP or a wired network. A network that transmits wireless from computer to computer without the use of a base station (access point).

Two or more wireless stations communicate directly to each other. An ad-hoc network may sometimes be referred to as an Independent Basic Service Set (IBSS).

CHANNEL

A radio frequency used by a wireless device is called a channel.

EAP AUTHENTICATION

EAP (Extensible Authentication Protocol) is an authentication protocol that runs on top of the IEEE802.1X transport mechanism in order to support multiple types of user authentication. By using EAP to interact with an EAP-compatible RADIUS server, an access point helps a wireless station and a RADIUS server perform authentication.

ENCRYPTION

The reversible transformation of data from the original to a difficult-to-interpret format. Encryption is a mechanism for protecting confidentiality, integrity, and authenticity of data. It uses an encryption algorithm and one or more encryption keys.

FRAGMENTATION THRESHOLD

This is the maximum data fragment size that can be sent before the packet is fragmented into smaller packets.

IEEE 802.1X

The IEEE 802.1X standard outlines enhanced security methods for both the authentication of wireless stations and encryption key management. Authentication can be done using an external RADIUS server.

INFRASTRUCTURE (BSS)

When a number of wireless stations are connected using a single AP, you have a Basic Service Set (BSS).

ROAMING

In an infrastructure network, wireless stations are able to switch from one BSS to another as they move between the coverage areas. During this period, the wireless stations maintain uninterrupted connection to the network. This is roaming. As the wireless station moves from place to place, it is responsible for choosing the most appropriate AP depending on the signal strength, network utilization among other factors.

SSID

The SSID (Service Set Identity) is a unique name shared among all wireless devices in a wireless network. Wireless devices must have the same SSID to communicate with each other.

TEMPORAL KEY INTEGRITY PROTOCOL (TKIP)

Temporal Key Integrity Protocol (TKIP) uses 128-bit keys that are dynamically generated and distributed by the authentication server.

USER AUTHENTICATION

WPA applies IEEE 802.1X and Extensible Authentication Protocol (EAP) to authenticate wireless clients using an external RADIUS database. If you do not have an external RADIUS server, use WPA-PSK/WPA2-PSK (WPA -Pre-Shared Key) that only requires a single (identical) password entered into each access point, wireless gateway and wireless client. As long as the passwords match, clients will be granted access to a WLAN.

WEP

WEP (Wired Equivalent Privacy) encryption scrambles all data packets transmitted between the SMCWCB-N2 and the AP or other wireless stations to keep network communications private. Both the wireless stations and the access points must use the same WEP key for data encryption and decryption.

WPA/WPA2

Wi-Fi Protected Access (WPA) and WPA2 is a subset of the IEEE 802.11i security specification draft. Key differences between WPA and WEP are user authentication and improved data encryption. WPA2 is a wireless security standard that defines stronger encryption, authentication and key management than WPA



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